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FOR SPECTRAL ENVELOPE CODING
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- EP 0 602 826 corresponds to JP 6-214600;
WO 97/31367 corresponds to JP 11-504733;
U.S. Patent No. 6,377,915 corresponds to JP 2000-267700; and
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